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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on May 29, 2002. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE DRAWINGS

The Examiner objected to Figures 3, 4, and 9 because the reference sign(s) 370, 470, and 940, respectively, are not mentioned in the description.

The following proposed amendments to the specification overcome the objection to Figures 3, 4, and 9.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please make the paragraph substitutions indicated in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Amended Specification Paragraphs. The specific changes incorporated in the substitute paragraphs are shown in the following marked-up versions of the original paragraphs:

The paragraph beginning on page 2, line 26 is amended as follows:

In the prior art, one single bias pulse is applied to each microbolometer in the array in each frame time. Application of a single bias pulse in each frame time can result in a temperature increase in the microbolometer over and above the heating effect of the incident radiation. Since, by necessity, such bias pulses have to be much shorter in time than the frame time, the heating effect is very rapid. Thus, when one bias pulse is applied to each microbolometer in the array in each frame time, the temperature of the microbolometer can